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ANSWER ALL THE QUESTIONS ON THIS PAPER

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

Section A .Grammar. /10 marks

Exercise 1: Complete each blank with the correct word chosen from the ones in the brackets. (2,5 marks)

- 1- You mustn't use my mobile phone _____ there is a real emergency (if / though / unless).
- 2- We _____ the last bus if the film hadn't ended so late. (would miss/wouldn't have missed/ will miss)
- 3- At the end of the presentation I want you to give _____ marks out of ten (themselves/you/each other)
- 4- I thought last night's homework was _____ than this one. (a lot harder/very harder/so harder)
- 5- James asked me what _____ for my birthday. (I wanted/wanted I /did I want)

Exercise2: Fill each gap with the correct form of the word in the brackets. (5 Marks)

- 1- The new English teacher is _____ boring than Mrs Etoo (little)
- 2- Many schools in rural areas are _____. There are very few teachers there. (staff)
- 3- It is about time we _____ down for our home assignment (sit)
- 4- Please, go and _____ that everything is ready. (sure)
- 5- You should avoid _____ questions during the exams (ask)

Exercise3: Match the sentence parts in column A with their correct endings in column B. Write the answers in the space provided. Use each item only once. (2,5 Marks)

N°	COLUMN A	N°	COLUMN B
1	He always drinks more _____	A	which he never did.
2	He will finish the job _____	B	although he ought to
3	He never wears a seat-belt _____	C	than he should
4	He promised to help us, _____	D	but he now wishes he hadn't
5	He said he would keep us informed, _____	E	as soon as he can

- 1- _____
- 2- _____
- 3- _____
- 4- _____
- 5- _____

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SECTION B: VOCABULARY 10 Marks.

Exercise1: Choose one word among those in the brackets that does not collocate or go with the underlined word. Write your answer in the space provided. (2.5 Marks)

- 1- Ebola has never (played/won/done/watched) the game. _____
- 2- Most newspapers contain (business/home/stranger/foreign) news. _____
- 3- Paul can (spend/do/borrow/lend) all his money on drinks. _____
- 4- Please, don't forget to insure your new (house/car/apples/life) _____
- 5- All of you will (win/pass/fail/write) your examination in June. _____

Exercise2: Fill in each blank with the correct word or phrase of your own. (5Mark)

- 1- I was late because there was a terrible _____ in the Centre of city.
- 2- Most students don't come to school _____ foot.
- 3- She left her house a bit late, so she _____ the train
- 4- Upper sixth students are very good at _____.
- 5- Before _____ a decision, let's hear what Patricia will say.

Exercise3: Fill in the blanks in each sentence with a word or phrase nearest in meaning to the item in brackets. (2,5Mark)

- 1- Most women raise their children _____ (alone)
- 2- Thousands of young people are _____ in my region. (jobless)
- 3- There was a slow _____ in cocoa sales (rise)
- 4- Our main _____ is to be successful in life (objective)
- 5- It was a very long journey, but _____ we got there. (in the end)

SECTION C: Reading comprehension /10Marks

Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow. Use complete English sentences in your answers.

"I can Quit Anytime!"

Thomas is a tall, good-looking kid with a winning smile and a cocky attitude. Intelligent and articulate, he seems much older than his sixteen years.

In the last four years, Thomas has been arrested eleven times for assault, malicious mischief, reckless endangerment, minor-in-possession and minor-in-consumption charges, and various probation violations. This time he's locked up in the juvenile justice detention center for thirty days; it's the fourth time he's been in detention in the last seven months.

Thomas knows he has a problem with alcohol, but he thinks he can quit whenever he wants.

"I just don't want to," he says with a confident smile. "Alcohol makes me feel good, you know, happy, crazy, full of myself. I feel like I can be and do anything."

He drives drunk or he gets into cars with other drunk drivers. He has sex with girls he doesn't know and doesn't care about. He steals money and possessions from his friends and neighbors or he sells his own CDs, clothes, or play station games to get money to buy more beer. He often gets into fights. "I get angry and aggressive," he admits. "People tell me I get that "stupid look".

Thomas is frightened by the fact that he feels like he's in control when he's drinking but says and does things that show he's out of control. He's afraid he'll kill himself or someone else in a car wreck, get sent away to an institution, get a girl pregnant, or get AIDS from having unprotected sex.

But worse than the fear is the guilt and the shame.

"I feel ashamed because of the people I've hurt and the stupid things I've done and the way I've let my family down. I'm the outcast of the family. They don't trust me anymore"; he admits.

Thomas is quiet for a few moments. "I've broken my parents trust so often that they just can't believe me anymore. It's hard to live with yourself when you feel like you're letting everyone down, like you're a failure in everything you do. You know what I mean?"

Katherine Ketcham, Teens Under the influence, 2003

QUESTIONS.

1) What is Thomas' addiction?

/1 mark.

2). What has happened to him in the last four years?

/ 1,5 marks

3). What impact does his addiction have on his behaviour and his own personal image? / 2 marks

4). Is Thomas aware of his situation? Justify by quoting the text.

/ 2 marks

5). Can Thomas quit? Why?

/ 1.5 marks

6) Does Thomas regret some of the stupid things he does? Why?

/ 2 marks



SECTION D. ESSAY WRITING

/ 10 marks.

Write an essay of between 200 and 250 words on any one of the following topics below:

- 1) Which means of travelling do you prefer for longer journeys-road, railway or air? Give your choice and then explain why you prefer it to the others alternative means.

- 2) In your opinion, what changes could be introduced in your country to improve one of the following?
 - a) The education system
 - b) Transport infrastructures
 - c) Peace and national unity.

- 3) Write an article for your school magazine "Retraite News", Po Box 376, Yaounde, of any important event that happened in your school.

You can describe:

- a) The celebration of the National Week for Bilingualism
- b) The youth week
- c) The visit of an important person
- d) Any other event of your choice.

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